

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Takuhito UENO et al.

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APPLICANTS' INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants appreciate the courtesies shown to Applicants' representative by Examiner Rohwer and Examiner Moe in the April 26, 2007 interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

During the interview, Applicants' representative explained the distinctions of the present claims over U.S. Patent No. 6,542,253 ("Kim"), U.S. Patent No. 6,084,934 ("Garcia"), and U.S. Patent No. 6,742,130 ("Kawase"), for example as detailed in the April 20, 2007 Amendment After Final Rejection.

As acknowledged by the Patent Office during the interview, none of the references, alone or in combination, teach or suggest the image forming apparatus including a controller configured to be in the off-state in the power saving mode and to control the image forming portion to output the received data after a period of transition from the power saving mode to the normal mode, as recited in claim 16.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 16-25 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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